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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This is in response to the non-final office action (paper no. 20) mailed September 22, 2003. This response is being filed within the second month after the end of the three-month shortened statutory period set in the office action. A separate petition and fee for a twomonth extension of time, which resets the due date to February 22, 2004, is filed herewith.

No other fee is believed to be due in connection with this response. Please charge any fee that is due, and credit any overpayment, to deposit account no. 50-0573.

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